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## MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL METHAMPHETAMINE TRAFFICKER CHARGED

## PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that GENE WILLIAM WELLS, 38, Los Angeles, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for two counts of possession with intent to distribute 5 grams or more of pure methamphetamine. The investigation revealed that WELLS acted as a multi-jurisdictional source distributor for methamphetamine precursor substances as well as methamphetamine. The indictment follows a joint investigation by the United States Drug Enforcement Administration and the Seymour Police Department.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Cynthia J. Ridgeway, who is prosecuting the case for the government, WELLS faces a maximum sentence of 40 years' imprisonment

and a \$2,000,000.00 fine. An initial hearing will be scheduled in the near future before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indianapolis.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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